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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Senior Mission Commander (SMC) Policy Letter 1-7, Standards of Dress and Appearance

1. Reference. AR 670-1.
2. Purpose. This letter requires that all Baumholder Community facilities set forth standards of dress and appearance.
3. Applicability. Applies to all Soldiers, DOD civilians and family members within the Baumholder Community.
4. Policy.
 - a. As representatives of the United States, outward appearance, to include choice of civilian apparel, is a most obvious and tangible display of personal attitudes and feelings towards one's self, the Baumholder Military Community and the Federal Republic of Germany. It also reflects on the prestige of the United States.
 - b. All post facilities that serve the community in either a military or civilian capacity will post standards of dress and appearance in a conspicuous place. Managers of these facilities are charged with enforcing these standards within their specific areas of responsibility.
 - c. All facilities where Soldiers work or visit will post a mirror at or near the main exit in order to allow Soldiers to check their headgear prior to exiting the building.
 - d. Sponsors are responsible for the dress of their family members.
 - e. When situations arise that are not specifically covered in the established standards, decisions will be governed by the combination of the following overall rules:
 - (1) That respect for the military uniform, regardless of national origin, has not been jeopardized.
 - (2) That the apparel is non-offensive.

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(3) That the apparel or appearance of the person meets the general standards of good personal or public hygiene.

5. Uniform standards.

a. Uniforms will be worn IAW AR 670-1.

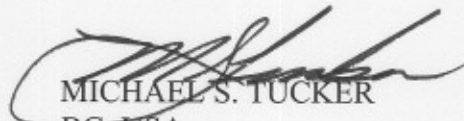
b. During the duty day, BDUs are authorized for on-post activities and essential off-post activities such as buying lunch, fuel, or food.

c. After 1800, BDUs may be worn off-post only between residence and place of duty, and for essential stops enroute such as stops at a laundry, gas station, or post office. BDUs will not be worn off-post after 1800 at restaurants or at recreational facilities such as bars, discos, or nightclubs unless specifically authorized by the Unit Commander.

d. Wear of the Improved Physical Fitness Uniform (IPFU) is covered in Policy Letter 1-1.

6. Procedures. Individual effort in applying the standards of dress and appearance enhances the public image of the Baumholder Military Community. Establishing standards is not encroachment upon individual rights - it is a reminder of individual responsibility to the community as a whole. Standards are intended to form a solid, understandable basis for use by the chain of command to ensure our dress conforms to prevailing German and American standards and enable us to promote good will between the United States and Germany.

7. Proponent for this policy is US Army Garrison Baumholder Adjutant's Office at DSN 485-6150.



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Enclosure 1

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COMMUNITY STANDARDS OF DRESS AND APPEARANCE

By order of the Senior Mission Commander, Baumholder Military Community, the following standards of dress and appearance will be complied with by all personnel who utilize this facility. Personnel not in compliance will be denied entry. Military Police, if necessary will be summoned to remove any violators who have gained entrance and refuse to leave when requested.

PERSONNEL IN UNIFORM

1. Will be in a complete military uniform.
2. Will remove headgear upon entry and will remain uncovered while in the facility.
3. Will not wear mixed uniforms, or combinations of military and civilian clothing. The Army raincoat, black sweater, wind breaker, and overcoat may be worn with civilian clothing when insignia of grade is removed. Combat boots and low quarters shoes are also authorized to be worn with civilian clothing.
4. The Battle Dress Uniform (BDU), temperate or hot weather, is the normal duty uniform for Soldiers. Soldiers will wear BDUs on duty regardless of the location or time of day unless ordered otherwise by Unit Commander (for example, in rank inspections, ceremonial events, payday formations).
5. During the duty day (before 1800), BDUs are authorized for on-post activities and essential off-post activities such as buying lunch, fuel, or food.
6. After 1800, BDUs may be worn off-post only between residence and place of duty, and for essential stops enroute such as stops at a laundry, gas station, or post office. BDUs will not be worn during off-post stops at restaurants after 1800 or at recreational facilities such as bars, discos, or nightclubs unless specifically authorized by the Unit Commander.
7. Combat Vehicle Crewman (CVC) uniforms for tracked vehicle crewman will be worn during combat, field training exercises, or when otherwise operating tracked combat vehicles. CVC uniforms will not be worn in the PX, Dining Facility, Burger King, Bank, etc., nor in any off-post establishments unless specifically authorized by the Unit Commander.

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8. The field and combat uniform (including field trousers, OG 108 shirt, pile cap, load bearing equipment, mechanics coveralls, or MOPP suits) will not be worn in on-post or off-post establishments unless specifically authorized by the Unit Commander.
9. Wear of the Physical Fitness Uniform (PFU) is outlined in Policy Letter 1-1.

PERSONNEL IN CIVILIAN ATTIRE

1. Will wear shoes or appropriate open toed sandals (shower shoes are not acceptable).
2. Will wear a shirt.
3. Shirts worn will be buttoned or zipped as appropriate.
4. Swimming suits are to be worn only at designated swimming areas or sunbathing areas.

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1. Clean jogging suits are acceptable for wear.
2. Will not wear military uniform items, insignia or accouterments mixed with civilian wear. Civilian camouflage clothing may be worn; however, combinations which give a military uniform appearance is forbidden.
3. Will not wear garments with words or drawings which are in poor taste, e.g., (foul, provocative, racially inflammatory, sexist, or derogatory).
4. Will not wear excessively dirty or soiled garments.
5. Will not wear exposed hair curlers.